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Title: IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE AND IMAGE PICKUP METHOD

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In the Notice of Abandonment dated November 22, 2010, the Examiner noted in the comments for Box 7 that abandonment was confirmed with the undersigned on 16 November 2010. Applicants respectfully submit that the undersigned did not state that the application was abandoned. The undersigned merely confirmed for the Examiner that Applicants did not file a response to the Office Action dated April 28, 2010 as of 16 November 2010.

Please enter this paper in the application record and contact the undersigned with any comments or questions.

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